GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

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INARINENT DANGER IN COASTAL AREAS
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is apprehension of inarinent danger in coastal areas in the country as reported in Jansatta dated February 19, 2007;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the measures being taken to monitor the said areas?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) & (b): There are reports about terrorists of various tanzeems being imparted training and likelihood of their infiltration through sea routes. However, no specific information about any imminent danger has been received.

(c) India's coastal waters are guarded by the Indian Coast Guard in coordination with the State Police and the Navy. The measures that have been taken and planned to enhance the coastal security include regular aerial surveillance and maritime patrolling along the coast, establishment of coastal police stations in the littoral States as part of Coastal Security Scheme, vessel monitoring system, etc.